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Emerson – No change. The RCMP continue to meet with the protest leadership at this time. We won't know the outcome of that until likely much later tonight or tomorrow.

Winnipeg – WPS just advised that they will be standing down their significant police presence and reverting back to their posture maintained during the week which will be a number of strategically placed cars in and around the Broadway and Memorial area. The convoy protest grew to about 500 and there are a number that still remain engaged in the weekend "events" that were planned. The counter protest was estimated by WPS to be approximately 300 and have now all dispersed. No acts of violence took place. One minor incident occurred when two heavily intoxicated persons laid down on Broadway for a period of time. Ultimately when these counter protestors blocked Osborne and Broadway the WPS escorted them away from the area to a safe location. WPS has no intelligence of counter protests for tomorrow and unless that intelligence changes they will have their routine presence at the protest site. WPS negotiators continue to work towards an end to the convoy protest. Overall, the Winnipeg operation was very successfully managed by the WPS with the close support of Provincial resources. WPS will be putting out a brief public statement later today related to the two intoxicated persons.

Airport – No change

Other Protests – No significant incidents were reported by the RCMP at any of the other protest sites.

COMMS – I reviewed the proposed statement. I believe keeping with the media lines from the past week is well advised. If there is a desire, there is no public safety issues with commenting on the peaceful nature of today's protest despite the passionately different views expressed, thanking the front line WPS members for their even-handed work and wishing the RCMP well in their ongoing attempts to negotiate a resolution to the Emerson blockade. It may also be a positive point to thank the Provincial front line staff that were in support of the WPS in today's events.

Mike